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STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

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Sir:

During a telephonic interview of October 6, 2005 between Examiner Annan Shang and Applicant's representative, Attorney James Moore, Applicant's U.S. representative explained the distinctions between Applicant's claimed invention and Ichihashi, set forth in the Response filed on October 7, 2005. The Examiner agreed that the noted features distinguish Applicant's invention, but that the Examiner would need to update his search.

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Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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